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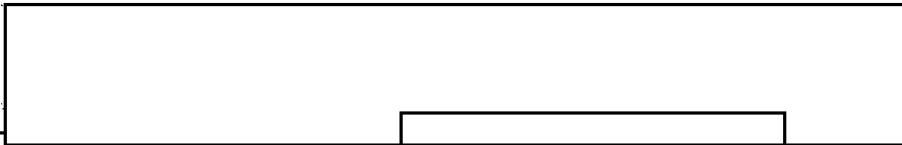
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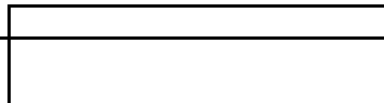


2. Last year between April and July the Chinese conducted a major joint service exercise in the Taiwan Strait opposite southern Taiwan. They used that occasion to signal to the United States their continuing commitment to the use of force in the "liberation of Taiwan". Last year's exercise itself was not militarily significant (only 8,000 men were involved in the amphibious portions).

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